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TAGS: TGEN, OTRA (WILCOX, ROBERT H.)

SUBJECT: PROPOSED VISIT OF REGIONAL S&T COUNSELOR/ERDA SCIREP.

REF: IAEA VIENNA 5170

1. IF SANTIAGO AGREEABLE, WILCOX PROPOSES VISIT CHILE WEEK OF AUG. 16. ETA AUG. 14 19:55 BN 920, ETD 7& 21 12:30 BN 979. IN SANTIAGO, HE WOULD MEET WITH SCIENCE OFFICER AND CALL ON AMBASSADOR TO DISCUSS SEVERAL MATTERS MUTUAL INTEREST. HE ALSO REQUESTS APPOINTMENTS WITH CCEN PRESIDENT GEN. J. ESTRADA-LEIGH AND/OR EX. DIRECTOR COR. ROMUALDO PIZARRO, AND ENDESA PLANNING CHIEF MARIO ZENTENO. OTHER APPOINTMENTS AT EMBASSY DISCRETION. IF ZENTENO AND EMBASSY BELIEVE VISIT TO POTENTIAL NUCLEAR POWER PLANT SITE (RAPEL) IS FEASIBLE, WILCOX INTERESTED IN MAKING THIS VISIT.

2. IF EMBASSY WILLING ARRANGE, WILCOX ALSO INTERESTED IN VISITING NSF OBSERVATORY AT CERRO TOLOLO (NEAR LA SERENA) AND CHUQUICAMATA COPPER MINE (NORTH OF ANTOFAGASTA), WHERE HE UNDERSTANDS CONSIDERATION BEING GIVEN TO PROCESSING TAILS TO EXTRACT URANIUM. TO EXTENT FEASIBLE, WOULD PREFER TO TRAVEL BY GROUND (E.G. EMBASSY CARE AND/OR GOOD TRAIN).

3. MRS. WILCOX WILL ACCOMPANY HER HUSBAND. PLEASE RESERVE DOUBLE ROOMS AS NEEDED. PREFER CARRERA IN SANTIAGO. IF SCHEDULE PERMITS SOME ANNUAL LEAVE AT SOME POINT, E.G. AT UNCLASSIFIED

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ANTOFAGASTA, THIS WOULD BE WELCOMED.

4. PARTICIPATION OF EMBASSY PERSONNEL IN ANY OR ALL VISITS
WOULD BE WELCOMED.

5. IF EMBASSY CAN ARRANGE, WILCOX PREPARED HOST OR CO-HOST
LUNCH OR DINNER FOR CCEN OFFICIALS WHILE IN SANTIAGO. (IF
DINNER, COULD INCLUDE WIVES). SUGGESTED INVITEES: ESTRADA;
PIZARRO; TTE CRNL. ING. MARMADUQUE ABARZUA A.; DR. FRITZ
HINZNER; AND ZENTENO; AS WELL AS SCIOFF AND DEFATT.

6. FOR ERDA: PLEASE ADVISE IF POSSIBLE BEFORE THIS TRIP AS TO
LIKELIHOOD OF DR. SEAMANS OR OTHERS VISITING CHILE IN SEPTMBER,
AS WILCOX PROPOSES DISCUSS ARRANGEMENTS WITH EMBASSY AND
CHILEAN OFFICIALS. ALSO, PLEASE ADVISE IF THERE WERE ANY
FURTHER DISCUSSIONS WITH CCEN AS PER REFTTEL OR IF THERE ARE
ANY COMMENTS ON REFTTEL.
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